Immunizations During COVID-19 are Essential to Your Child's Health



- 1. Should my child get immunizations while there are cases of COVID-19 in Los Angeles County?
 - Yes, immunizations and well child visits are essential and help keep your child safe and healthy, especially for children under the age of two.
 - Immunizations protect children from serious and harmful diseases like measles, mumps, pertussis (whooping cough) and flu.
 - If your child didn't get their immunizations, visit a health care provider as soon as possible to catch up on the immunizations they need.
 - For a list of immunizations children need, go to: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/index.html.

2. What if I'm worried about taking my child to get immunized during the pandemic?

- This is a normal concern. Healthcare offices, including clinics and pharmacies, are taking steps to make sure you have a safe visit.
- Call before the visit to ask how they keep patients safe and any steps you need to take.
- Everyone entering a doctor's office, clinic or pharmacy must wear a face covering except children under the age of 2, anyone who has trouble breathing, or anyone who can't remove a face covering on their own. Those who have been instructed by their medical provider not to wear one are also exempt. Children 2-8 years old should only wear masks when supervised.



3. Where can I take my child to get an immunization?

- For a list of LOW COST or FREE immunization services, visit the DPH website at: publichealth.lacounty.gov/ip/clinics.htm.
- You can also call the Los Angeles County Information Line at 2-1-1 or visit the Vaccine Finder website at <u>vaccinefinder.org.</u>



4. Is there an immunization available to protect my child and my family from COVID-19?

No, but getting routine immunizations such as the flu vaccine, the vaccine for measles or whooping cough, can help protect your child from other diseases.

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